



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Shigeo OHSAKA et al.

Serial No.: 09/456,531

Filed: December 8, 1999

Examiner: Savitri MULPURI

Group Art Unit: 2812

For: ELECTRODE STRUCTURE, PROCESS FOR FABRICATING
ELECTRODE STRUCTURE AND SEMICONDUCTOR
LIGHT-EMITTING DEVICE

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RESPONSE TO THE RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT
DATED JULY 12, 2001

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Date: August 2, 2001

Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Official Action dated July 12, 2001.

In the Action, restriction is required between Group (I), claims 1 - 16 drawn to device; or
Group (II), claim 17 - 18 drawn to method.

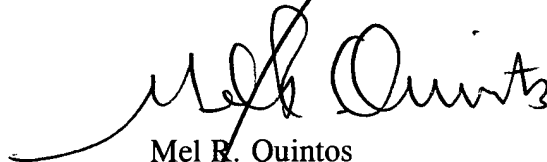
Applicants hereby elect the subject matter of Group (I), claims 1 - 16 for prosecution in
this application. This election is made without traverse, it being understood that the applicants'
rights to the filing of a Divisional application directed to the non-elected subject matter under 35
USC §120 and 35 USC §121 are retained.

In the event that this paper is not timely filed, applicants hereby petition for an appropriate extension of time. The fee for any such extension may be charged to our Deposit Account No. 01-2340.

In the event any additional fees are required in connection with this response, please charge our Deposit Account No. 01-2340.

Respectfully submitted,

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